

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 61st LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION

Call to Order: Chairman John Brueggeman, on April 2, 2009 at 3:00 P.M., in Room 405 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. John Brueggeman, Chairman (R)
Sen. Bruce Tutvedt, Vice Chairman (R)
Sen. Greg Hinkle (R)
Sen. Jim Keane (D)
Sen. Rick Laible (R)
Sen. Jesse Laslovich (D)
Sen. Ryan Zinke (R)

Members Excused: Sen. David E. Wanzenried (D)
Sen. Jonathan Windy Boy (D)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Libby Goodwin, Committee Secretary
Tammy McGill, Legislative Branch

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 306, 3/31/2009; SR 32, 3/31/2009

Executive Action: SR 32, HB 306, HB 238

HEARING ON HB 306

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:00:34 Rep. Penny Morgan (R), HD 57, opened the hearing on HB 306, Extend certain permanent license plates for motorcycles.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:03:20 Jim Jacobsen, Montana American Legion

Opponents' Testimony:

00:04:21 None

Informational Testimony:

00:04:23 Rhonda Wiggers, County Treasurers Association

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:04:40 Sen. Hinkle
00:04:58 Rep. Morgan
00:05:06 Sen. Hinkle
00:05:09 Rep. Morgan
00:05:12 Sen. Hinkle
00:05:24 Sen. Laslovich
00:05:47 Rep. Morgan
00:05:50 Sen. Laslovich
00:06:05 Chairman Brueggeman
00:06:36 Sen. Laslovich
00:06:40 Rep. Morgan
00:06:58 Chairman Brueggeman
00:07:22 Sen. Laslovich
00:07:37 Ms. Wiggers, County Treasurers Association
00:08:24 Sen. Laslovich
00:08:35 Ms. Wiggers, County Treasurers Association

Closing by Sponsor:

00:09:25 Rep. Morgan

00:09:51 Chairman relinquished the chair to Vice-Chairman Tutvedt.

HEARING ON SR 32

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:10:08 Sen. John Brueggeman (R), SD 6, opened the hearing on SR 32, Confirm nominee for director of department of transportation.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:10:39 Bruce Nelson, Governor's Office

00:11:14 Jim Lynch, Department of Transportation (DOT)

Opponents' Testimony:

00:11:41 None

Informational Testimony:

00:11:45 None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:11:49 Sen. Laible

00:12:09 Mr. Lynch, DOT

00:15:54 Sen. Laslovich

00:16:32 Mr. Lynch, DOT

00:26:03 Sen. Laslovich

00:26:31 Mr. Lynch, DOT

00:27:05 Sen. Laslovich

00:27:21 Mr. Lynch, DOT

00:28:13 Sen. Laslovich

00:28:48 Mr. Lynch, DOT

00:30:26 Sen. Zinke

00:31:04 Mr. Lynch, DOT

00:32:14 Sen. Zinke

00:32:08 Mr. Lynch, DOT

00:35:11 Sen. Keane

00:36:00 Sen. Zinke left the meeting.

00:36:23 Mr. Lynch, DOT

00:41:16 Vice-Chairman Tutvedt

00:41:35 Mr. Lynch, DOT

Closing by Sponsor:

00:43:33 Sen. Brueggeman

00:44:43 Chairman Brueggeman resumed the chair.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 306

00:44:54 **Motion:** Sen. Tutvedt moved that **HB 306 BE CONCURRED IN.**

00:45:04 Tammy Magill

00:45:30 Sen. Laible

00:45:42 Chairman Brueggeman

00:46:26 **Vote:** Motion carried 7-0 by voice vote. Sen. Zinke voted by proxy. Sen. Wanzenried and Sen. Windy Boy were excused. Sen. Brueggeman will carry the bill.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SR 32

00:46:56 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Brueggeman moved that **SR 32 BE ADOPTED.** Motion carried 7-0 by voice vote. Sen. Zinke voted by proxy. Sen. Wanzenried and Sen. Windy Boy were excused.

DISCUSSION ON PROPOSED COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

00:48:17 Chairman Brueggeman

EXHIBIT(his73a01)

00:48:47 Col. Mike Tooley, Montana Highway Patrol (MHP)

00:52:06 Barbara Harris, Attorney General's Office

00:49:55 Sen. Zinke entered the meeting.

00:53:43 Chairman Brueggeman

00:54:18 Sen. Hinkle

00:54:43 Col. Tooley, MHP

00:55:23 Sen. Hinkle

00:55:46 Col. Tooley, MHP

00:56:27 Sen. Laible

00:57:10 Col. Tooley, MHP

00:58:26 Sen. Laslovich

00:59:59 Ms. Harris, Attorney General's Office

01:02:54 **Motion:** Sen. Hinkle moved that a **COMMITTEE RESOLUTION BE DRAFTED.**

01:03:12 Sen. Hinkle
01:04:35 Sen. Zinke
01:04:41 Sen. Laible
01:05:59 Sen. Laslovich

01:07:55 **Vote:** The roll call vote was 5-2. Sen. Laible and Sen. Tutvedt voted no. Chairman Brueggeman, without objection, declared that the motion failed. Sen. Wanzenried and Sen. Windy Boy were excused.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 238

01:08:51 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Zinke moved to **RECONSIDER THE PREVIOUS ACTION** on **HB 238**. Motion carried 7-0 by voice vote. Sen. Wanzenried and Sen. Windy Boy were excused.

01:09:55 **Motion:** Sen. Zinke moved that **HB 238 BE CONCURRED IN**.

01:10:04 Sen. Laslovich
01:10:23 Sen. Zinke
01:10:54 Sen. Laible
01:11:46 Sen. Keane
01:11:58 Sen. Tutvedt

01:12:39 **Vote:** Motion carried 5-2 by roll call vote with Sen. Hinkle and Sen. Tutvedt voting no. Sen. Wanzenried and Sen. Windy Boy were excused. Sen. Zinke will carry the bill.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 4:20 P.M.

Libby Goodwin, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT ([his73aad.pdf](#))